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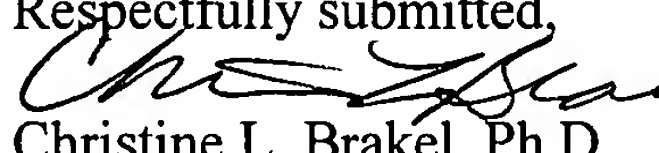
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OF PEPTIDE EXTENSIONS**

RESPONSE

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Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement set forth in the Office Communication dated July 1, 2004, applicants elect the claims of Group 5, claims 53-64. The Examiner has requested that the Applicants elect a vector encoding a single species of peptide extension. Applicants elect the vector encoding the peptide extension T7B, identified as SEQ ID NO: 6, with the understanding, with reference to 37 CFR 1.146, that claims in the present invention may be restricted to this species if no claim to the genus is found to be allowable.


Respectfully submitted,

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